

Today's
Advertisements.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on SATURDAY, the 1st January, 1898.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager, Hongkong.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager, Hongkong.

For the MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
Hongkong Agency,
F. AUGUSTIN,
Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,
HONGKONG,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
S. CHOH,
Agent.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on SATURDAY, the 1st January, 1898.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.

General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.
W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent.

NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.
J. B. COCHRAN,
Secretary.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. T. DAVIS,
Acting Manager.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1920]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 538.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1898, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1897. [1922]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 4th day of January, 1898, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Four Lots of CROWN LAND, together with Building Material stock, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Lot No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Acres.	Area in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Island Square, near the Victoria Harbour.	100 ft. by 100 ft.	1	10,000	£100	£1,000
2	Island Square, near the Victoria Harbour.	100 ft. by 100 ft.	1	10,000	£100	£1,000
3	Island Square, near the Victoria Harbour.	100 ft. by 100 ft.	1	10,000	£100	£1,000
4	Island Square, near the Victoria Harbour.	100 ft. by 100 ft.	1	10,000	£100	£1,000

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"
Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 30th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURENCE & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1921]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
THE Steamship

"ARRATON APCAR,"
Captain K. H. S. Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1923]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1917]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Extra Steamship

"DARMSTADT"
will be despatched as above on or about the 15th of January, 1898.

To be booked by the
"CREFIELD"
on or about the 15th of March, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1924]

Today's
Advertisements.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamship. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engine Room, and the Cabin is situated aft.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1896]

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ARRATON APCAR,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 29th instant will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, at Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1918]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO,"
The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1917]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & CO.'S WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1897. [1916]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be noted a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are from French Wines.

CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currents, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "W.E." is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1924]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1897.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We hear from private sources of a most reliable nature that the British fleet, whose movements have been unknown for several days, has reached Chemulpo and that a peremptory demand has been sent in for the restoration of Mr. McLEAY BROWN and the other Customs employes who were being summarily dismissed to make way for Russians. If this is true, it will be matter for the heartiest congratulation.

It is also said that the Russians have taken possession of the prefectural city of Kinchow, which is on the other side of the isthmus from Tientsin and only five or six miles distant. From a strategic point of view it is utterly useless without Tientsin and there is yet no definite information who is in possession of Tientsin.

It is also reported that the Japanese have peremptorily called on the Russians to conform to the rule against having more than two warships in Nagasaki harbour. This, however, is a rumour which very frequently crops up and does not necessarily amount to much. If the Russian Admiral chose to have a dozen ships in Nagasaki it would be difficult to dislodge him.

A Hongkong resident sends us three newspapers which are addressed in print as follows and which he received through the G.P.O.:

"The Editor,"
"North China Daily News," Shanghai.

"The Editor,"
"Japan Daily Advertiser," Yokohama.

"The Editor,"
"Shanghai Mercury," Shanghai.

Another resident writes us as follows:—
Dear Sir,—Might I suggest that if the Post Office were to economise on the quantity of string used they could better afford to pay a competent staff of Officials, I received a package of three small letters tied together with four feet of 1/15 inch string. I enclose you the piece of string together with my card.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1917]

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

EVACUATION OF KASSALA.
LONDON, December 26th.

Kassala has been handed over to Col. Parsons and the Italians have started for Keren.

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.
Various rumours are current in London of a rapprochement between Great Britain and Japan, in view of recent events.

FIRE IN CHICAGO.
The Coliseum in Chicago has been burned and nine lives were lost and fifty people injured.

FIRE NEAR LONDON.
At a fire at a cottage in Bethnal Green a woman and her nine children were burned to death.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.
It has been reported that Prince Henry handed a long letter from the Emperor William to the Queen at Osborne. Great significance is attached to this.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.
The Emperor William in a speech at the frontier fortress of Graudenz alluded to the Tsar as a dear friend of the same political views as his own.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.
LONDON, December 27th.

It is stated in St. Petersburg that the Russians have occupied Kin Chai, North of Port Arthur.

THE GERMAN CHINA SQUADRON.
Prince Henry's Squadron has arrived at Gibraltar. Prince Henry on landing was received with a guard of honour from the Grenadier Guards and dined with the Governor.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.18 per £.

The United States cruiser *Pitt* leaves for Canton to-morrow morning.

The French mail steamer *Yarra* left Singapore yesterday for Hongkong, via Saigon.

H.M.S. *Grafton* with Rear-Admiral Fitzgerald on board arrived from Singapore yesterday afternoon. She went into dock to-day.

The only news at the Police Court yesterday was that the Chief Clerk was feeling very dyspeptic and nobody dared go near him.

The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Dec. 26th are:—Europeans, 158; Chinese, 2,183; total 2,341.

The thirty-two members of the Triad Society were at the Magistracy to-day and were further remanded for a week to enable Mr. Master, their solicitor, to look through translations of certain papers that had been seized.

We have received a very useful wall calendar from Messrs. F. C. Calvert & Co. of Manchester, England, the well-known firm of manufacturing chemists. The calendar gives a sheet for each month with blank spaces for each day and is a rather a good specimen of printing. The firm's well-known numerous disinfectants and carbolic soaps, acid and tooth-powder are all extensively advertised on the almanac. We confidently recommend our readers to the preparations of Messrs. Calvert & Co. which they can obtain without the least trouble from any chemist in the colony.

The part of Queen's Road near the Ordnance Stores presented the appearance of a miniature lake this afternoon owing to the bursting of a water-pipe. The foot for the greater part was impassable for foot passengers and many of the water ran to waste before repairs were made.

Mr. Joseph T. Lowe, one of the shining lights in social, commercial and shipping circles in the City of Rio (this morning on a tour round the world. He is accompanied by Mr. Lowe and intends, we believe, to stay about a fortnight in Hongkong.

The body of a Chinaman was found in the harbour of Stonecutter yesterday. It was greatly decomposed, and had been in the water for about seven days. Some time ago a man fell overboard from a cargo boat and the police are informed that the body found yesterday has been recognised as that of the missing man.

The Meiji Fire Insurance Company, Limited, of Tokyo (Hongkong agents, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha) have issued for 1898 a plain but neat and striking calendar, with a view of the "everlasting" Fujiyama, wreathed in a new vision of clouds. The Meiji is named in honour of the present ruler, whose reign is called the Meiji era, "shin" for Matsuhito perhaps. The Company was established six years ago, and is now doing a very good business. Its capital is one million yen.

Messrs. Moffatt and Robertson who have lately been promoted to the rank of Inspector in the Hongkong Police Force, returned to the colony from leave by the *Thames* on Sunday night. Both the new Inspectors, together with Sergeant Warnock, who has also been on leave, took part in the jubilee celebration in London, and like the other members of the force, they all speak in the highest terms of the hospitality shown to them in London. All three officers were to-day sworn in for a further term of five years.

Not the least enjoyable of the Christmas festivities was the annual gathering in the Talkoo Club's Rooms, at Quarry Bay, on Christmas night. A large party of ladies and gentlemen from town spent the evening with the Talkoos and the hours were merrily passed in dancing, music and singing. The Club premises were in gala attire and in the matter of refreshment the members exerted in fine style. The Quarry Bay people are noted for the thoroughness with which they carry out their things and when the hour of parting came their guests one and all expressed themselves as having spent an extremely pleasant evening.

In response to an enquiry regarding the genuineness of a certain stamp sent to the G.P.O. to-day the sender was surprised to receive a reply to the effect that no parcel had come for him by this mail and that it would probably arrive by the next English mail. This was certainly very obliging but like "the flowers that bloom in the spring" it had nothing to do with the case. With the reply was also a letter from a resident enquiring of the Postmaster General about a parcel of *Illustrated Christian News*, a photo, some Christmas cards and letters. If the Post office continues to grow much more funny we fear that something serious will really happen to the people of Hongkong. Later on the proper reply was received.

A PETITION from Mr. Quong Tait was presented to the New South Wales Legislative Council on the 31st ult. by Sir Arthur Renwick with reference to the Coloured Races Restriction Bill, praying that some modifications may be made in it in the direction of allowing Chinese merchants and others who have business in New South Wales, and may desire to go to China for a short visit, or merchants residing in China who may desire to come here for business purposes, to travel, either to or from the colony, without having to encounter the disabilities imposed by the Act. The petition points out that the Chinese residents in the colony are a peaceable, law-abiding, and industrious class of residents whose residence in the colony is conducive to the production and expenditure of wealth. The number of Chinese in gold in the colony bears a much lower percentage to the whole than in the case in respect of any other nationality; 62 out of every hundred males there are primary producers of wealth, while of the whole male population of the colony only 20 in every hundred come under that category and the Chinese residents expend about £30,000 a year, or about £18 per head, in food and clothing products of the colony, in addition to £8 per head on Chinese importations. The petition was received and read.

THERE was another of those interesting little scenes in the N. S. W. Assembly on the 30th ult., which go to show that the chamber is keeping up its reputation. Mr. Reid (Premier) said the former government had been guilty of mean and treacherous action. Mr. Lyne (leader of the opposition) at this time rose and came forward to the table. Mr. Reid, on seeing the leader of the Opposition on his feet, said, "What a point of order!" Mr. Lyne replied, "Yes, a point of order." Mr. Reid: A very brummege one then, I'm afraid. (Laughter.) Mr. Lyne (excitedly): You may be a brummege Premier, but don't you be insulting, or else you may get a smack in the face. (Laughter, cheers, and cries of "Chair.") An Hon. Member: This is a bit of Austria. Mr. Lyne: Yes, and it may do a little good somewhere else besides Austria. (Cheers, and cries of "Chair" and "Order.") After a sharp and free altercation Mr. Lyne said to the Speaker:—I regret very much that the interjection made by the Premier in such an offensive manner should have led me to make the reply I did—a reply I never would have made if I had thought for one moment. He has acted similarly on many occasions. My remark had certainly no meaning, and I had no intention of doing anything of the kind. I had no intention of doing it at that particular time. But on account of the Premier's behaviour, I do feel sometimes that it is almost impossible to keep one's temper. (Opposition cheers and laughter.)

An old Chinaman was to-day fined \$50 for removing milk from an infected dairy No. 15, Kennedy Street. Mr. McCallum, secretary of the Sanitary Board, prosecuted. His Worship sentenced strongly on the circumlocution shown in bringing the case up, the offence having taken place on the 12th inst.

For some months past there has been a shortage of from \$15 to \$20 in the monthly takings at the West Yorks canteen, and as there was no corresponding decrease in the patronage to account for the falling off, dishonesty was suspected. The regiment now under canvas at Kowloon, has a canteen tent there and the canteen sergeant last night determined to make another effort to discover the thief. He posted a corporal at a hole in the tent and in a little while he saw one of the serving boys receive a dollar and shortly afterwards hide it in the folds of his capacious sleeve. When asked 'with the theft he said he only took it for a loan. Mr. Wodehouse took another view of the matter and sent the boy to gaol for six months with hard labour.

A SINGULAR incident that took place on the Central Vermont Railroad some time ago, says the *New York Evening Post*, shows how many conditions require to be observed in determining the existence of a very simple fact with scientific accuracy. One of the division superintendents of that road received repeated complaints that at a certain crossing the prescribed signals from the locomotive were omitted. The engineers were reprimanded and warned, "although they all protested that they had never neglected their duty. Finally since, of course, the matter might prove a serious one at any time for the railroad, the superintendent determined to get his own evidence, and, privately stationing himself in a suitable position, he saw a locomotive approach and pass without whistling or ringing the bell. On that locomotive, however, there happened to be one of the railroad detectives, who had made up his mind to look into the matter for himself, and who actually blew the whistle and rang the bell with his own hands. When the superintendent returned to write the discharge of the guilty engineer, he was confronted with the evidence of the detective. To end the matter, they both went to the spot and found that from a certain point they could see the puff of steam at the whistle and the bell in motion, but heard no sound from either. An expert was called in, who recommended the removal of a piece of forest, which being done, the signals became audible at the crossing. Professor Henry long ago showed that sounds may be heard by a person at a distance when they are inaudible to one nearer, and it is evidently necessary for railroad officers to ascertain not only that signals are properly given, but that they are actually audible where they should be.

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.
FIFTH YEAR.
Rev. T. W. Pearce Superintending Examiner.
Boys' Section (Pass)
(1) Francis, A. A. (1) Xavier, E. M., A. A.
(2) Noronha, E. J., A. A. (3) Humphreys, A. D.
(3) O'Toole, C. L., A. A. (4) Lee, C. H., A. A.
Junior (Class)
(1) and 2nd Class Ford E. S. Disting'd English.
Junior (Pass)
(1) Benning, G. (1) Stimmer, M. P.
(2) Lewis, W. A. (1) Talbot, B.
(3) Waller, R. H. (2) Silas, C. D.
(4) Gutteres, L. E. (3) Joseph, J. E.
(5) Pugh, E. A. (4) Rationio, J. H.
(6) Ribeiro, F. X. V.
Over Age
(1) Reiners, W. (2) Peroncio, R.
(3) Hopun, P. M. (4) A'Quino, E. G.
Preliminary (Pass)
(1) Olson, J. (1) Blair, H. V.
Over Age
(1) Horton, E. R. (1) Costa, H.
(2) Li Chien.

Girls' Section (Pass)
(1) de Souza, A. M., A. A. (1) Melita, S. A. A.
Junior (Pass)
(1) Baker, A. E. J. (1) Rodger, M. F.
(2) Henderson, I. C.
Over Age (P) Rationio, G. M.
Preliminary (Pass) Over Age
(1) Marcus, M. (1) Benning, A.
(2) Yranovitch, A. M. (2) Logon, C.

B—Baxter School
D—Diocesan School
J—St. Joseph's College
P—Private Tutor
Q—Queen's College
V—Victoria English Schools

DEVICES OF FUTURE WARFARE.

London Engineering, commenting on this subject, says:—

In England the two warlike devices we have most to fear are the flying machines and the submarine boat. The former would place our frontier in juxtaposition with those of France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, while the latter would menace the existence of our entire fleet. Aerial navigation has been the dream of inventors for hundreds of years, and for a considerable part of this century it has been an actual fact. Dirigible balloons have been made and steered, while Mr. Horatio Phillips and Mr. Hiram Maxim have constructed flying machines without buoyancy that have raised themselves from the ground. But the very success that has been attained has only revealed the immense amount of work that yet remains to be done before a foreign aerial fleet can adventure itself across the Channel with its cargo of dynamite to be dropped in London. As to submarine boats, there was one, built by Cornelius van Drebbel, in the reign of James I., which made the journey from Westminster to Greenwich under water more than once, and since then there have been seventy or eighty constructed, so that it is not for want of time and experience that the submarine boat is not perfect to-day. The fearful scene that would be witnessed if Napoleon should escape from St. Helena, under the keels of our cruisers, would have done well to have cultivated a healthy skepticism as to submarine advances in mechanical science.

BOXING DAY.

The holiday makers yesterday were again favoured with most beautiful weather, and outdoor recreation was very liberally indulged in. Harbour, fields and lunch parties were especially popular, and there was scarce one of the many pretty pieces of beach that had not its happy group of "trippers." Places like Tyiam, and Pokfulam also attracted a good many excursionists, and the clear bright weather and the invigorating breeze robbed pedestrianism of much of its hardship. The cricket match between the Club and United Service afforded a pleasant racoon of passing the time for devotees of the game. At Happy Valley a number of soldiers, sailors and marines spent the afternoon at cricket football, and the spirit they threw into their play was characteristic as ever. As night fell the launches began to unload their parties and there were great strings of chairs and tables going up and down all directions. In the evening, however, the cricket match between the Club and United Service afforded a pleasant racoon of passing the time for devotees of the game. At Happy Valley a number of soldiers, sailors and marines spent the afternoon at cricket football, and the spirit they threw into their play was characteristic as ever. As night fell the launches began to unload their parties and there were great strings of chairs and tables going up and down all directions. In the evening, however, the cricket match between the Club and United Service afforded a pleasant racoon of passing the time for devotees of the game. At Happy Valley a number of soldiers,

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Lordship the Chief Justice,
Sir J. W. Carrington, Kt., C.M.G.)

December 28th.

D. GURDAY AND OTHERS v. E. R. BELLIOS.

(Continued.)

The plaintiffs, Messrs. D. Gobby, A. J. Raymond and A. J. David, sued on behalf of the Jewish Community of Hongkong for the recovery of Inland Lot No. 1381 from the defendant.

Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. Thomson, of Messrs. Deacon and Hastings), appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. H. E. Pollock (instructed by Mr. C. D. Wilkinson) for the defendant.

Mr. A. J. Raymond, sworn, said that he was a partner in Hongkong of the firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co. He arrived here on 30th December, 1896, and relieved Mr. Ezekiel in the management of the firm. Mr. Ezekiel left the Colony on the 25th March 1897; witness succeeded him in the management of the affairs of the Synagogue. He took Mr. Ezekiel's place at the meeting to discuss the question of the tablet and this was the first time witness took witness he took over the management of the Synagogue from Mr. Ezekiel. He was first introduced to Mr. Danby on 15th March at Mr. Danby's office. Witness visited the site in Kennedy Road twice before 15th March. The first time was at the end of February when he went with Messrs. Orange, David and Silas. The second time was at the beginning of March. He was with Messrs. Silas and A. Joseph. Mr. Joseph accompanied them to show where the Synagogue should be built. The object of the first visit was for Mr. Orange to show the site to witness. He remembered the letter from Mr. Bellios to Messrs. Sassoon, Ezekiel and David on 8th March and the reply from the trustees which was signed by witness instead of Mr. Ezekiel. It was before the trustees received this letter that witness made the second visit to the site. Before this letter was received he knew nothing whatever of a portion of the lot. He went to the meeting at Mr. Danby's office witness had an interview with Mr. Bellios in his office. This was on the morning of 15th March. Witness and Messrs. David, Silas and Bellios were at the interview. Mr. Bellios' son and Mr. Moses were in the same room. At that interview the trustees asked Mr. Bellios why he would not hand over the whole of the lot and he replied that he wanted an approach to his upper lots. Mr. David asked him what he meant by an approach and Mr. Bellios said that he wanted a road. They asked him how much he wanted for the purpose and Mr. Bellios said that he could not say but they would meet him that afternoon at Mr. Danby's office he would let them know. Witness was present at the meeting of 15th March at Mr. Danby's office. Messrs. Danby and Orange were discussing how much the trustees could give to Mr. Bellios. There were two plans on the table and they were sketching in pencil. Practically the discussion of the ground was left to the two architects. After a time Mr. Danby said that the trustees could give Mr. Bellios 10,000 feet. Then Mr. Bellios raised the question of a retaining wall and said that the trustees should pay half the cost. They replied that they did not think it was fair for him to ask them this as they did not require a retaining wall. Mr. Bellios said that it was necessary as well for the trustees as for himself. One of the trustees asked how much the retaining wall would cost and then Mr. Danby worked out a pencil and said that it would not cost more than \$2,000. Mr. Bellios said that Mr. Danby worked it out exactly and gave the same amount. After a long discussion the trustees agreed to give \$600 for the sake of settling the question amicably. Mr. Bellios would not accept this. Witness said that Mr. Bellios was trying to put all sorts of obstacles in their way; he was first wanted to build a site near the Synagogue. Witness offered him \$2,000 but Mr. Bellios said he would not accept it. When the trustees asked Mr. Bellios to accept it, he said that he would not accept it. The trustees said that they were not going to stand any more of Mr. Bellios' nonsense and we will have our rights. He could not say positively whether Mr. Bellios denied this or not but he thought that Messrs. Danby and Orange heard it. Witness remembered receiving Mr. Bellios' letter with Mr. Danby's signature of the cost of the wall. The result of that was that the trustees refused to pay half the cost.

Cross-examined by Mr. Pollock, witness said that no minutes were kept of the meeting to discuss the question of the tablet. Witness was not certain whether the tablet was right or not but after looking over the books he was convinced that it was because the present Synagogue was given by Mr. Jacob Sassoon's father and the firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon were paying all the expenses all along. The community contributed very little and the offer of this year only amounted to \$60 or \$70. The funds of the Synagogue were not yet transferred as they were waiting for the result of the suit. The firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co. did not receive any letter from Mr. Jacob Sassoon with regard to the tablet. The cost of the suit was being paid from the Synagogue fund which was still in the firm's hands. Witness said that on the morning of 15th March when he went to Mr. Bellios' office. He remembered that after the meeting of 15th March he went with Mr. Danby to the Hongkong Club.

Do you remember that you told him a drink? (laughing)—Yes.

Then you were not on deadly terms with him?—No, we were still friends now.

Counsel read a letter from Mr. J. R. Michael to Mr. Moses dated 4th April, 1897, returning a document signed by Mr. Bellios to the effect that the dispute should be referred to His Honour Sir John Carrington for arbitration. Witness said that the trustees received it but rejected the proposal of arbitration and handed it to Mr. Michael to return it.

Mr. Francis put in the deeds of trust by Mr. Meyer Sassoon which appointed Messrs. Frederick and Edward Sassoon and himself trustees for the Synagogue and in further, etc., dated March, 1884. This document gave the above named gentlemen full power to sell the Synagogue property and also to purchase other lots as they thought fit.

By His Lordship—the only incident which took place to show that the trustees and not Mr. Bellios were giving was on the morning of the 15th March when they asked Mr. Bellios why he would not transfer the whole lot and he said that he wanted an approach.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper said that he was Secretary of the Hongkong Land Investment Co. Limited. He was Secretary in June, 1896. He remembered attending and purchasing Inland lot 1379 for the Company. He remembered going up to the neighbourhood with Mr. Northcote on the following day. Mr. Northcote was agent for the Company. He remembered seeing someone in the neighbourhood. He met Mr. Chater, his managing director, with

THE PHILIPPINE REBELLION.

Mr. J. Manoli, an American journalist, lately in Hongkong writes us on the 1st inst., while en route to Colombo, regarding the rebellion in the Philippines. He spent three weeks in Manila and says he had an excellent opportunity of enquiring into the state of affairs. The rebellion, he says, is as formidable as ever—even more so. The rebels have very good funds, plenty of courage and confidence, very fair organization, but practically no good arms. If they happen to get a good instalment of arms it is thought that they will drive the Spaniards from the islands. There had not been any important fighting of late but interesting developments are expected soon.

CRICKET.

H. K. C. C. v. UNITED SERVICES.

The match between the H. K. Cricket Club and the United Services was concluded yesterday and resulted in a win for the latter by 76 runs. U. S. played very well for 170 runs when they were stamped out. The Club made 312 runs in their first innings. The following are the remaining scores—

UNITED SERVICES.	
Feel, R.N., b. R. F. Lammert	30
Dunn, D. b. D. Lammert	10
Ward, W.Y.R., b. R. F. Lammert	10
Campbell, H.K.R., c. F. Lammert, b. R. F. Lammert	40
Howard, V.Y.R., b. R. F. Lammert	40
Dunn, R.N., c. M. Lammert, b. R. F. Lammert	45
Ward, W.Y.R., b. R. F. Lammert	10
Ryan, R.N., b. R. F. Lammert	10
Howard, V.Y.R., b. R. F. Lammert	15
Extras	15
Total	235

H.K. CRICKET CLUB.

P. A. Cox, b. Howard	32
J. F. Noble, b. Howard	4
Ward, W.Y.R., b. Howard	4
A. MacKenzie, c. Lammert, b. Howard	8
P. F. Lammert, c. Lammert, b. Howard	10
J. R. Gilligan, b. Howard	10
Extras	15
Total (for 5 wickets)	103

MASONIC NOTES.

ZETLAND LODGE INSTALLATION.
A regular meeting of the Zetland Lodge was held last night, when Bro. G. J. Sayer was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year by the Right Worshipful District Grand Master, Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., assisted by Wor. Bro. F. C. Ray, D.D.M.G., and the Grand Lodge officers. Wor. Bro. Sayer appointed and installed his officers as follows—

S.W.	Bro. J. Lochard
J.W.	G. P. Clercy, Junr
Treasurer	G. A. Caldwell
Secretary	H. W. Kennett
S.D.	G. C. Hayward
J.D.	J. W. L. Oliver
Steward	S. J. Sayer
Organist	D. Grimble
I.G.	G. H. Bost
Tyler	Maxwell

A banquet followed the ceremony and the hall in which it was served was decorated in splendid style. The loyal and masonic toasts were honoured and the Hongkong Regiment's band played several selections. Songs and recitations by the brethren helped to pass the time in a most enjoyable manner.

AMONG DOGS.

At the regular of the Cornhill Lodge, No. 1865, Amoy, held on the 11th December, Bro. J. G. Gots was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, and appointed and installed his officers as follows—

S.W.	Bro. J. H. Pearson
J.W.	E. Q. Cooper
Treasurer	Lee Kong Teck
Secretary	F. H. Edwards
S.D.	R. C. Radomski
J.D.	F. H. Lucasen
Steward	F. B. Marshall
I.G.	B. Nichols
Tyler	B. N. Jenkins
	J. Phillips

At the regular meeting of the Ionic Lodge, No. 1781, held at Amoy on the 14th December, Bro. John Hutchinson was installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year, and appointed and installed his officers as follows—

S.W.	Wor. Bro. F. C. Cass
J.W.	W. E. Key
Treasurer	F. B. Marshall
Secretary	F. H. Edwards
S.D.	C. S. Powell
J.D.	C. H. Best
Steward	A. Pichl
I.G.	A. B. Barrie
Tyler	H. T. T. Moller
	J. Phillips

AUSTRALIAN TELEGRAMS.

SYDNEY, December 7th.
Raeji has been ill and is still confined to his bed. Armitage, though he is much better, and will be able to leave for Sydney at the end of the week.LONDON, December 8th.
President McKinley, in a message to the United States Congress, makes various recommendations with regard to the currency question in the direction of reform.

In referring to the Cuban question, Mr. McKinley deprecates any interference there. He states that he is not in favour of the annexation of Hawaii by the States.

The Japanese Minister at Washington states that serious trouble will arise if any attempt is made by the United States to annex Hawaii. Mr. John Burns has advised that unless the trade of Great Britain fail to guarantee a weekly fund of \$15,000, that the engineering staff should be declared at an end.

At a boxing contest between Walter Croft and Jim Barry, at the National Sporting Club London, Croft received a severe blow over the head and died shortly afterwards. Barry, the seconds, and the official managers of the club have been arrested.

The imports into Great Britain during November showed a decrease of over £1,033,000, while the exports increased by £1,207,000 as compared with November last year.

A heated debate is proceeding in the German Reichstag in relation to the programme submitted by the Government.

It is believed in Berlin that the German Government will endeavor to obtain a lease of Kiaochow Bay, which place was recently occupied by Germany. The approval of Russia is necessary.

China has agreed to the demands of Germany for exclusive mining and railway privileges in the province of Shantung. In the hope this concession will lead to the evacuation of Kiaochow Bay.

ADELPHI, December 8th.
Severe shocks of earthquake have been experienced over a large portion of the colony, but no serious damage has been done.ADELPHI, December 9th.
The Adelaide Wheat Company estimate that the colony will have an exportable wheat surplus of about 35,000 tons.MELBOURNE, December 9th.
The Premier has stated in the Legislative Assembly that the Government had found employment for 3500 men in new works proposals which he submitted.

NOTES AND A.

CALENDAR.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations 1888.

Barometer 30.177
Thermometer 62.5
Humidity 65.0
Rainfall 1.31

TO-DAY.

Tuesday, 28th December, 1897.

(Innocent's Day.)

Chinese—5th of 12th moon of 33rd year of Kwong-shi.

Jewish—3rd Tishri, 5658.

Mohammedan—3rd Shaaban, 1316.

Sun—Rises 6hr. 37min.

Sets 5hr. 21min.

High water—Morning 1hr. 25min.

Afternoon 5hr. 35min.

Low water—Morning 1hr. 15min.

Afternoon 5hr. 15min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1851—Great fire in Hongkong; 472 houses destroyed.

1857—Bombardment of Canton by the Allies.

1873—Tay Bridge disaster; 70 lives lost.

1883—Loss of the *Hui Fuen* with 280 lives.

TO-MORROW.

Wednesday, 29th December, 1897.

Chinese—6th of 12th moon of 33rd year of Kwong-shi.

Jewish—4th Tishri, 5658.

Mohammedan—4th Shaaban, 1316.

Sun—Rises 6hr. 37min.

Sets 5hr. 21min.

Moon—in Equator 5hr. 30m.

High water—Morning 1hr. 15min.

Afternoon 5hr. 5min.

Low water—Morning 1hr. 5min.

Afternoon 5hr. 20min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1170—Murder of Thomas à Becket in Canterbury Cathedral.

1809—W. E. Gladstone born.

1841—Gwalior taken by the British.

1848—The Pope deposed by the Roman Assembly.

1850—Second Kafir War commenced.

1854—The Taipings blocked the Canton River and defeated the Imperialist fleet at Whampoa.

1857—Majid Ali, Canton, captured by the Allies.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

Indian (*Chalydra*) 1st prox.French (*Yarra*) 3rd prox.American (*Galat*) 3rd prox.Australian (*Australis*) 6th prox.American (*City of Peking*) 15th prox.THE M. M. steamer *Yarra* with the next French mail, left Singapore for this port via Saigon yesterday.We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) that the E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Australis*, from Sydney, etc., left Port Darwin for this port yesterday.The Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Chalydra*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. on the 25th inst.We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) that the steamer *Glenash*, from New York and Straits, left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. on the 25th inst.THE China Mutual Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Ningchow*, from Glasgow, passed the Canal about 10th inst., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 7th prox.THE China Mutual Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Pingyoo*, from Swatow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd prox.

SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 2 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Bangkok steamer, from Bangkok

Jacob Diederichsen

Byedoo

Szechuan

City Rio Janeiro

Aviation Affair

Chusan

Lyderhops

Jamaica

Haitian

Comopolis

Hollow

Arake Maru

Hsin Chai

Amoy

Empress of China

Griffin

Aggregating 23,254 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Choyang steamer, for Shanghai

Hunan

Sika

Polyphamus

Szechuan

Chingling

Progress

Sabbas Richmer

Coptic

Peking

Gyrfalke

Hollow

Canton

Aggregating 18,958 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Morris (H.G.M.S.)

Siam

Grafton (H.M.S.)

Lyndon

Ole

West York

Cosmopolitan

Arrivals.

Dec. 24 Nanyang

Departures.

Dec. 24 S. Richmond

24 Richmond

24 Richmond

24 Richmond

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24 Richmond

Consignees.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NO ICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

RADNOR HIRE.

Captain Vyvyan, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th instant at 2.30 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1897. (1899)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"THAMES."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, &c., ex S.S. *Himalaya*.
From Australia, ex S.S. *Palma*.
From Persia, ex S.S. *Asia*.
From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. *Palma*, *Stella* and *Kapoorhala*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd January at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. (1899)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CEYLON."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUÉZ & STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—
From Italy, ex S.S. *Sulcis*.
From Madras, ex S.S. *Lodiana*.
Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 1st Jan. at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. (1899)

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "MOGUL."

FROM PORTLAND, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. (1899)

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P. BOHM, Proprietor & Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1894. (1899)

I SAY I HERE'S SOMETHING GOOD.

THE OLD MAN'S ON DECK AGAIN AT THOMAS'S GRILL ROOMS.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THIS TARIFF?—

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
IZUMI MARU R. Nishino	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), and Colombo	THURSDAY, 30th December, at Noon.
*RIJUN MARU A. E. Moses	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A., via Kobe, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	THURSDAY, 30th December, at 4 P.M.
TAMBA MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 5th January, at 4 P.M.
HAKATA MARU R. Nishino	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), PENANG, Colombo and PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 7th January, at 4 P.M.
HIROSHIMA MARU N. Ono	Kobe and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 20th January, at 4 P.M.
YAMAGUCHI MARU S. Kiyomura	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	TUESDAY, 15th January, at Noon.
YAMASHIRO MARU J. Jones	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, KEPPEL DAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 28th January, at 4 P.M.

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It is requested that the directions on the boxes for making solutions shall be implicitly followed.

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NOTICE

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association the General Meeting of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 31st day of December, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1897.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1897. [1897]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1897. [1897]

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION No. 171.

WEST RIVER; BOARDING CERTIFICATE.

ALL VESSELS Trading from HONGKONG to the WEST RIVER are REQUIRED, for purposes of Identification, to comply with the rule hitherto in force for steam-launches, viz: they must call at either Canton or Changchow Customs at station, and undergo inspection or search by the Customs Officer, who will thereupon provide them with a BOARDING CERTIFICATE to show that this regulation has been complied with. This Certificate is to be delivered up to the Customs at Malacca or Wongmoon on passing into the River.

E. B. DREW,
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Canton, 27th December, 1897. [1916]

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Commencing on
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Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [1897]

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1897. [1897]

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Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [13]

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and
36, DIVISION STREET, KOBE.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1896. [457]

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For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1897]

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At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.
For Further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
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Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. [1912]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1897. [1861]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"YARROWDALE,"
Captain G. Gedder, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th January, 1898.

To be followed by the
S.S. "HANSEAT" on or about 31st Jan., 1898.
S.S. "LYDERHORN" on or about 15th Feb., 1898.
S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 28th Feb., 1898.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1897. [1882]

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"
to sail about the 15th January, 1898.
S.S. "ARGVLL," about 5th Feb., 1898.
S.S. "GAZELLE," about 20th Feb., 1898.
S.S. "LENNOX," about 10th March, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. [1913]

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 At American Ship

"NEW YORK,"
Peabody, Master, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have prompt despatch.

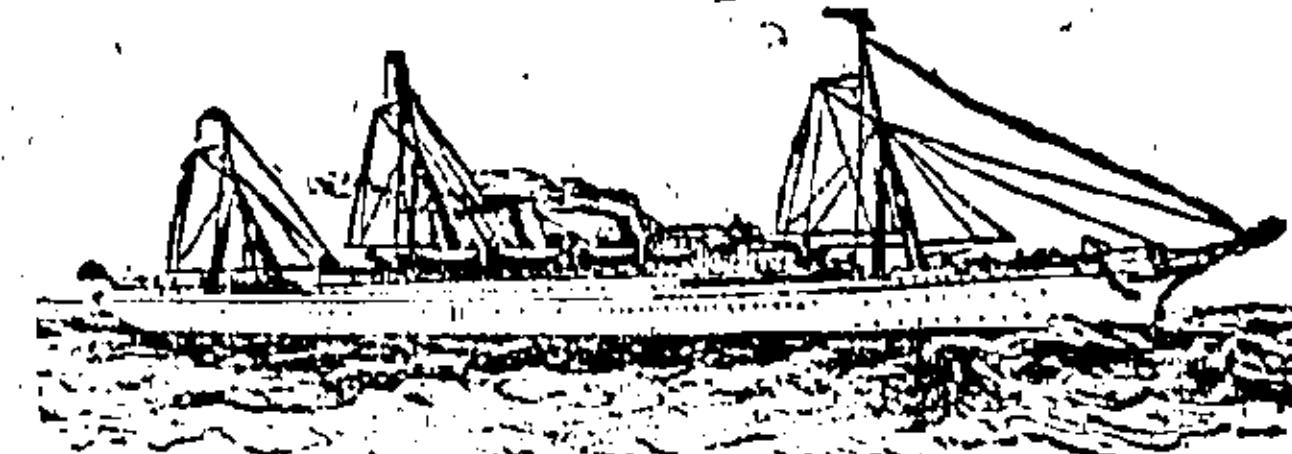
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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1897. [1625]

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Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPERESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 19th Jan., 1898.
EMPERESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 15th Feb., 1898.
EMPERESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar., 1898.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets at various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Paddis Street.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1897. [13]

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 15th Jan., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Thursday, 3rd Feb., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 15th Jan., 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [12]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th Mar., 1896. [139]

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

"JEYES FLUID"

THE BEST DISINFECTANT.

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Back Buildings
Hongkong, 9th March, 1897.

Mails.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"CHUSAN,"
Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 30th December, at Noon; taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

All Cargo for France and London will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1897. [15]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Columbia [2,605] A. Gow..... Jan. 11.
Tacoma [2,549] A. Dixon..... Feb. 1.
Victoria [3,167] J. Panten, R.N.R. Feb. 22.
Olympia [1,691] Dobson Mar. 15.

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Mogul [3,654] W. H. Wright..... Jan. 1.
Pillman [2,338] A. Gove Feb. 8.
Bramar [3,601] E. Porter Mar. 8.
Mogul [3,654] W. H. Wright..... Mar. 29.

Calling at HONOLULU. Not calling SHANGHAI.

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Excellent accommodation. First-class Table, DOCTOR and STEWARDESSE carried.

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HONGKONG TO TACOMA £18.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1897. [14]

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN and HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich ... Tuesday ... 4th Jan.
Prinzess ... Tuesday ... 1st Feb.
Sachsen ... Tuesday ... 1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 4th day of January, 1898, at 4 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH" Capt. O. Clippers, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 1st Jan. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on Monday the 3rd Jan., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Monday, the 3rd Jan. Consents of Packages are required. No Freight Receipts should be signed for less than 40 lbs. and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1897. [1812]

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